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IMPORTANT NOTICE **2008 Renewal/Continuing Education**

On behalf of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners' Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee, this is to advise you that preparations have begun for the 2008 - 2010 license renewal. Notification of the renewal requirement and procedure will be mailed to all licensees in the "Active" status during the month of May. All certificate holders and licensees are strongly encouraged to complete the renewal application process electronically. To ensure the processing and delivery of renewal documents, licensees are required at N.J.A.C. 13:34C-1.4 to notify the Board in writing within 30 of any change of address on file with the Board.

Current licenses and certifications will expire on July 31, 2008. Therefore, in order to practice as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor or certified alcohol and drug counselor in the State of New Jersey, licensees and certificate holders must complete the process before that date. The Division of Consumer Affairs has established June 30, 2008 as the renewal payment "due date" in order to insure the processing of payments and receipt of a 2008 - 2010 license certificate.

Please note that the Division of Consumer Affairs changed the color of the paper used for all licenses, certificates, registrations and permits from green to blue. This is part of the effort to improve the security features and general appearance of the official license documents.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:34C-5.1 et seq., LCADCs are required to complete 40 contact hours of continuing education for the biennial renewal period. CADCs are required to complete 60 contact hours. Credits for the renewal period must be earned between August 1, 2006 and July 31, 2008. The renewal application will require a confirmation that the LCADC/CADC has completed the respective continuing education requirements. Licensees and certificate holders are required to maintain original certificates of completion for a period of 6 years. Falsification of any information submitted with the renewal application, and/or the failure to complete continuing education requirements, may result in disciplinary action by the Board.

The Continuing Education Regulation is available on the Committee's Web-page under the "Rules" heading - Alcohol and Drug Counselor Regulations at:
<http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/medical/alcdrug.htm>